

REMARKS

The entry of foregoing amendments and reconsideration of the application are respectfully requested.

Response to Election/Restriction Requirement

Applicants have reviewed the Examiner's proposed restriction of claims 1-18. Applicants respectfully traverse the Examiner's restriction of claims 1-16 as now presented. Particularly, with attention to the restriction of claims 3, 4, and 14-17, applicants respectfully traverse the Examiner's interpretation that he has shown a two-way restriction as required. Particularly the comment that the "various combination claims do not require that the detector be a p-I-n detector composed of a-Si(Ge)" is not believed relevant to the argument. If the Examiner is to maintain this argument, it is requested that additional understanding and description of what is meant by this language be provided. As to the argument that the subcombination related to a separate utility such as "light emitter/detector device" applicants would point out that this is the utility of the claim as being a light generator/monitor. These are simply different words. Light generator would emit, and a monitor would detect.

Applicants respectfully traverse the Examiner's position that the restriction is appropriate, and such restriction requirement is traversed.

Applicants acknowledge the requirement of including an election of the invention to be examined even though the requirement is traversed. Therefore, applicants select I (claims 1, 2, 5-7, and 16).

CONCLUSION

No additional fee is believed to be required for this Second Preliminary Amendment and Response to Election/Restriction Requirement. However, the undersigned attorney of record hereby authorizes the charging of any necessary fees, other than the issue fee, to Xerox Deposit Account No. 24-0037.

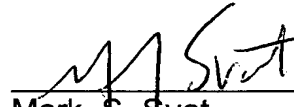
In the event the Examiner considers personal contact advantageous to the disposition of this case, he/she is hereby authorized to call Mark S. Svat, at Telephone Number (216) 861-5582.

Respectfully submitted,

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